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Applicant(s): Y. MURATA

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Filed : May 31, 2001

For : METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR COLLECTING
AND PAYING TAXES ON CONTENTS
DELIVERED OVER A NETWORK

Art Unit : 3627

Examiner : RUDY, ANDREW J.

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RESPONSE- 37 CFR 1.111

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S I R :

This is responsive to the Office Action mailed
February 12, 2004, the term for response to which expires on
March 12, 2004.

ELECTION

Applicants hereby elect Invention IV, claims 31-40, for
further prosecution on the merits, without traverse.

ERROR IN OFFICE ACTION

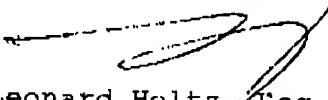
It is pointed out that there is an error in the listing of
claims includable in Invention IV. The Examiner listed claims
31-39 on page 2 of the Office Action, whereas the correct claims
includable in Invention IV are claims 31-40.

It is respectfully requested that prosecution on the merits now proceed on the basis of the election set forth above.

It is respectfully submitted that this submission is fully responsive to the outstanding Office Action.

If the Examiner has any comments, questions, objections or recommendations, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the telephone number given below for prompt action.

Respectfully submitted,


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